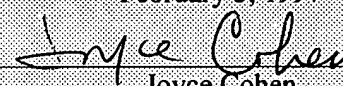


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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated August 2, 1996, Paper No. 11. Attached is a petition and petition fee for a Three Month Extension of Time. In that February 2, 1997 falls on a Sunday, this response is considered timely filed on Monday, February 3, 1997. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In the Title

Please amend the title as follows:

Monoclonal Antibody to Human *mpl* Ligand [MPL LIGAND]In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, in the "Cross Reference" section, insert after Serial No. 08/185,607
filed 21 January 1994, --abandoned,--.

Page 1, n the "Cross Reference" section, insert after Serial No. 08/176,553
filed 3 January 1994, --abandoned,--

Page 2, line 7 omit the space between "cells" and ",";

Page 3, line 3 delete "was" and insert --were-- therefor;